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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (*if only one name is listed below*) or an original, first and joint inventor (*if plural names are listed below*) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ALCOHOLIC COFFEE DRINKS

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 Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and  
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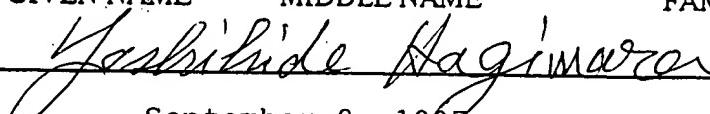
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For: PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ALCOHOLIC COFFEE DRINKS

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